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FOR AMBASSADOR MARSHALL

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SUBJECT: MOVEMENT OF US MILITARY UNITS: PRESS GUIDANCE

1. TASK FORCE 77.7 WILL ENTER INDIAN OCEAN AT
1300Z 11 JULY.

2. EFFECTIVE AT THAT TIME DEPARTMENT AND DOD WILL USE
FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCE ON AN IF-ASKED BASIS AND YOU
SHOULD DO SAME:

Q. IS THERE NOW A US NAVY TASK FORCE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN?

A: THERE IS A UNITED STATES NAVY TASK FORCE IN THE
INDIAN OCEAN. AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS DONE FROM TIME TO TIME.

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Q: IS THE PRESENCE OF THIS CARRIER TASK FORCE RELATED TO

THE CURRENT TENSION BETWEEN UGANDA AND KENYA?

A: I HAVE NO COMMENT TO MAKE ON THE MISSION OF THE TASK
FORCE.

Q: WHAT ARE THE PLANS OF THIS CARRIER TASK FORCE?
HAVE ITS PLANS BEEN ALTERED AS A RESULT OF THE TENSION
BETWEEN UGANDA AND KENYA?

A: IT WILL REMAIN UNTIL IT HAS COMPLETED ITS MISSION,
ABOUT WHICH I HAVE NO DETAILS FOR YOU." KISSINGER

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